

State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-THIRD SESSION
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2008

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1122

Introduced by: Representatives Engels, Ahlers, Buckingham, Burg, Cutler, Feinstein, Gassman, Gillespie, Gilson, Lucas, Lust, Miles, Moore, Nygaard, Peters, Sigdestad, Street, Thompson, Vanneman, Vehle, and Willadsen and Senators Turbak Berry, Abdallah, Albers, Heidepriem, Knudson, Koetzle, and Schmidt (Dennis)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the jurisdictional amount in certain civil actions
2 and small claims proceedings.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 16-12B-13 be amended to read as follows:

5 16-12B-13. A magistrate court with a magistrate judge presiding has concurrent jurisdiction
6 with the circuit courts to try and determine all civil actions, if the debt, damage, claim, or value
7 of the property involved does not exceed ~~ten~~ twelve thousand dollars. Any magistrate court with
8 a magistrate judge presiding has jurisdiction in small claims proceedings, if the debt, damage,
9 claim, or value of the property involved does not exceed ~~eight~~ twelve thousand dollars.

10 Section 2. That § 16-12C-13 be amended to read as follows:

11 16-12C-13. A magistrate court with a clerk magistrate presiding has concurrent jurisdiction
12 with the circuit courts, in noncontested civil actions or noncontested small claims proceedings
13 where the amount of money or damage does not exceed ~~eight~~ twelve thousand dollars, to take



1 the necessary evidence and to enter a judgment.